

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Luis Eduardo Gutierrez-Sheris

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For: MONEY-TRANSFER TECHNIQUES

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

S I R:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: